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**ABSTRACT:**

In order further to develop a method for changing over a serially networked system (100), in particular a serial databus system, from subnetwork operation (T), in which at least one node (22, 28) and/or at least one user (32, 38) of the system (100) is in a state of reduced current consumption and is not addressed and/or not activated by the signal level

- 5      (40, 42, 44) of the data traffic on the system (100), to full network operation (G), in which all the nodes (20, 22, 24, 26, 28) and/or all the users (30, 32, 34, 36, 38) of the system (100) are addressed and/or activated by the signal level (46, 48) of the data traffic on the system (100), together with a corresponding system (100) in such a way that the nodes (22, 28) and/or the users (32, 38) in the network, i.e. on the databus (10), may be simply yet effectively woken, it
- 10     is proposed that the system (100) be changed over from subnetwork operation (T) to full network operation (G) if a signal rest level (50) and/or no change in the signal level is noted on the system (100) for a period ( $\Delta t$ ) which is greater than a critical period ( $\Delta t_k$ ) of definable or settable length.

15     Fig. 3